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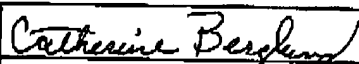
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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 2, 2004

Dear Sir:

Claims 27 are in the case.

## ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Applicants acknowledge with gratitude the Examiner's conclusion in the Office Action of  
November 2, 2004, that the claims in the present application are allowable over the prior  
art.

## DOUBLE PATENTING

Claims 1-27 in the present application are rejected for obviousness-type double patenting  
over claims 1-11 of U.S. Patent No. 6,639,612. In response to the double patenting